

Saratoga Racing Season Opens T-day With Three Feature Events for Speedy Thoroughbreds

Rancocas Entry Is Favorite In Famous Saratoga Handicap

Grey Lag and Mad Hatter to Race Exterminator and Others; Flash and Shillelah on Card; Trainer of Man o' War Signs With August Belmont

By W. J. Macbeth
SARATOGA SPRINGS, N. Y., July 31.—Under a canopy of azure blue Saratoga awaits the opening of its annual racing season. Every indication of fine weather is evident, as the day is one of which only Saratoga can boast. The town already is well filled, with every incoming train, boat and automobile adding to the crowd. The famous old course was never so beautiful.

The paddock has been so much improved with the addition of trees, shrubs and other flowers that one would hardly recognize it. The track is exceptionally fast, on account of the fine weather that the town has been having for the last month, and everything points to the lowering of all previous records.

The large number of entries in the different events indicates the meeting will be one of the most successful the famous course can claim. August Belmont, president of the Metropolitan Jockey Club, has arrived to have the pleasure of viewing his colors for the first time in several seasons on the famous turf. The Flash Stakes and High Fair in the closing number. Both are highly bred two-year-olds.

He has engaged the famous trainer of Man o' War, Louis Fustelot, to handle his string. This trainer, the developer of Oceanic, Dream of the Valley and many other stars of the turf, has this day severed his connection with Mr. Riddle, millionaire owner of the Glen Riddle Farm. The cause of the split is unknown. It is rumored that Bob Smith will henceforth handle the string.

The season is to make its inaugural bow with the running of the well-known events, the Shillelah Steeplechase Handicap, the Flash and the Saratoga Handicap. That each event will be stoutly contested is certain from the contention which is being put to start. Grey Lag and Mad Hatter, the Rancocas Stable entry, are the choices in the Saratoga Handicap, with considerable variance of opinion as to the outcome. Exterminator, the iron horse of the turf, having many admirers.

Joe Healy, brother of Simon Healy, the well-known trainer of the Syndicate Stable, while on route to the mobile to the Springs, met with an accident at Hudson, N. Y., which necessitated his being taken to the hospital. The extent of his injuries has not been determined, though it is thought they are not serious.

Jackson Heights Club Clinches Tennis Title

By winning yesterday from the Bay-side Tennis Club the undefeated Jackson Heights Tennis Club clinched the 1922 Queensboro League championship. The match was played on the clay courts of the Jackson Heights Club, and the score was 4 to 2.

The match, which was played at Jackson Heights, thrilled the gallery by its superb play against Silverman, winning 6-1, 6-2. The defeat of Gordon Smith, former captain, by Captain, by Roberts, of Bay-side, furnished the only upset for Jackson Heights. The latter's doubles teams were in good form.

Browns Buy Pitcher CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., July 31.—The St. Louis American League club has purchased Pitcher Thomas Rich from the Cleveland (Tennessee) club of the Appalachian League, it was announced here to-day.

North American Trapshooting Championship Set for Sept. 14

Class shooting has been recognized to the extent of being placed in the championship division of the clay target sport by the American Trapshooting Association. At the grand American clay target championships, which will be staged on the Absecon Boulevard, Atlantic City, N. J., September 11 to 16, one full day, Thursday, September 14, will be set aside for determining the champion of North America in each of five classes.

The winner in each of these classes will receive a medal valued at \$100, emblematic of the title, and a cash prize. The contest calls for 200 single targets, 16 yards raise.

Although the classification of shooters has been tried out at many large tournaments, including the Grand American, this year is the first that the winner will become known as a champion. The A. T. A. is seeking to encourage novices and shooters of the lower classes by affording them an opportunity to win titles in their classes.

There are, of course, any number of trapshooters who find it difficult to break 90 per cent; others seldom average better than 80 to 85 per cent. Obviously, these men cannot win a championship where all contestants shoot on an equality and where there is a considerable number of experts who average 95 per cent and better.

At Atlantic City all contestants in the class championships of North America will be placed in classes in strict accord with their ability as evidenced by their official averages at registered targets. The A. T. A. has adopted what is known as the standard system and which fixes five classes, according to average, as follows:

Class 1—94 per cent and over.
Class 2—90 per cent and under 94 per cent.
Class 3—85 per cent and under 90 per cent.
Class 4—80 per cent and under 85 per cent.
Class 5—Below 80 per cent.

The class championships are open only to amateurs, and the entry fee is \$10.50. Of this amount \$5.50 pays the cost of targets and the registration and the remaining \$5 goes into a purse which will be divided among the five classes, according to the number of entries in each class—that is, each of the five classes will shoot for the cash prizes in its own class only.

In addition to the five gold medals—one for the champion in each of the five classes—each medal having a value of \$100, the A. T. A. will add \$1,000 in cash to the class championships, this money to be applied as follows: \$200 to each of the five classes; \$25 to the eight high guns in each class.

No man who is acquainted with a shotgun may now say that he lacks the skill to go to the Grand American trapshooting tournament, or that the national shoot is for the high average men only. Certainly the class championships have added the event which was needed to make the clay target class a "shoot" for shooters of all classes. And then come the Preliminary and Grand American handicaps (on

Walter Hoover



DULUTH, Minn., July 31.—Walter Hoover, world's amateur sculling champion, will defend the gold challenge cup in a special regatta here Labor Day, he announced to-day. The champion lowered the bar for all prospective challengers before leaving for Philadelphia, where he is entered in a special exhibition.

Grant to Build Up Braves on \$100,000 From Pitcher Sale

BOSTON, July 31.—The trade which sends pitcher Hugh McQuillan, of the Braves, to the New York Giants for \$100,000 or more and three players caused barely a ripple in the still waters of baseball here.

The transfer of McQuillan was considered a loss to the Braves by their followers, and the acquisition of Fred Toney, veteran, and the two young pitchers of doubtful value, but in the statement of President Grant that he intended to build up the Braves sports writers found a promise that McQuillan's sale money might be spent to the club's playing advantage.

Although a good pitcher, McQuillan's record with Boston has not been remarkable. Last season, when the Braves won more games than they lost, McQuillan won thirteen and lost sixteen. His record to date this season with a tall-end club has been five victories and ten defeats.

President Grant's explanation of the deal was: "Baseball is a business proposition. If the money doesn't come in through the 'gates' it has to come in some other way. And the money hasn't been coming in through the 'gates'."

"I want another pennant winner and am going to attempt to have one. Remember, I got a tremendous sum of money for McQuillan, which is going to be spent on the team."

Lipton Not Expected to Challenge for Yacht Cup

BELFAST, July 31 (By The Associated Press).—With reference to reports that Sir Thomas Lipton intends again to challenge for the America's Cup, L. Garrett, of the Royal Ulster Yacht Club, through which Sir Thomas has the past issued his challenges, said to-day that Lipton had no intention that Sir Thomas intended again to race in America.

Sir Thomas, said Mr. Garrett, was in the United States in September, but his trip so far as was known was purely of a business nature, although it would synchronize with the international six-meter yacht racing in America waters.

500-Yard Senior Race Features Garden Swim

The feature event to be held in Madison Square Garden Swimming Pool under the auspices of the Metropolitan Association of the Amateur Athletic Club of the world before the cold weather sets in. In other words, it seems certain that they will be brought together in some open air arena within the metropolitan district this fall.

Both sides have a chance to reach other in action within the next six weeks. Charley White will be at the ringside in Michigan City next Saturday when Benny meets Ever Hammer, the Chicago lightweight, and Benny will be back in New York in time to witness Charley's disturbance with Bobby Barrett, the Philadelphia error.

Leonard to See Barrett Today
Billy Gibson will see Barrett today that Leonard would leave Chicago on Sunday morning and would be here in time to be at the Velodrome on Monday night, when White and Barrett meet.

Tut Jackson Demanding More Money for Bout With Wills

Ohio Battler's Dissatisfaction Over His End of Purse Likely to Cause Squabble Before the Colored Boxers Get Together in Ebbets Field Ring

By Jack Lawrence
While final papers providing for the Harry Wills-Tut Jackson fight at Ebbets Field were signed on Sunday, it seemed highly probable last night that a lot of squabbling would ensue before the bout actually took place on August 29. The squabbling will have to do with the financial arrangements, and it appears that it was this and not a fear of Tut Jackson that caused Paddy Mullins, manager of Wills, to hold off so long before finally writing his name on the dotted line.

A checking up yesterday of the negotiations that led to the fight these heavyweights disclosed the fact that Tut Jackson, a native of Washington Court House, Ohio, considers himself a thoroughly high-priced fighter. Bill Palmer, a resident of that pastoral hamlet, thinks in figures that proved to be totally inimical to the price placed on Jackson's services by the Ebbets-McKeever Exhibition Company, promoters of the battle, and the local boxing authorities. Palmer is a co-manager of Jackson with Bill McCarney, and it was the former who discovered the alleged terror from Washington Court House.

The delay in making this match cannot be attributed to any fear that Harry Wills may have of Jackson, although the latter's brief ring record is not particularly impressive. The delay was caused by the fact that Jackson's managers came here to talk business with Mullins, manager of Wills, they demanded almost as much as did the man who has already been signed to meet Jack Dempsey for the heavyweight championship of the world.

It was only 35 per cent of the gate receipts that this husky son of the Ohio stevedores demanded from the promoters, who were to put him on in a match that might possibly result in his being substituted for Wills as the next opponent of Dempsey. Jackson's financial agents informed the New York State Boxing Commission and the representative of the Ebbets-McKeever Exhibition Company that Tut was not selling platter and had been accustomed to receiving at least 30 per cent of the gate and frequently got as high as 40 per cent in Ohio.

He seemed quite unable to differentiate between gate receipts in Ohio and gate receipts in Brooklyn. He argued that percentages were just as good in Ohio as they were here and he didn't see any use in playing favorites in the matter of states. And, he added, Washington Court House might be jolly well offended if Tut started to sell himself only in Ohio.

The Ebbets-Paddy management mentioned something about a \$75,000 gate, but this appeared to have no effect on the astute Mr. Palmer, who kept insisting that Tut would work all the money he was demanding and that he would get that amount or there would be no bout.

Paddy Mullins, who is somewhat astute himself, is said to have said thirty-seven and a half per cent of the gate receipts as the minimum at which Harry Wills would be permitted to mingle with the Washington Court House crowd.

Commission May Decide
Just what will be done about this situation is a matter of conjecture and it may be taken up by the Boxing Commission at its regular weekly meeting to-morrow morning. Inasmuch as the papers have been signed it is highly improbable that the Ebbets Field management will permit anything to interfere with the match, even though a private arrangement might be necessary in order to make the battle possible.

According to all reports this colored son of Ohio is a rather terrifying customer who is apt to knock the world over with a punch. Bill Palmer, who has known Tut all his life and who has also seen all the best heavyweights of recent years in action, declares that Jackson has the most devastating punch he ever saw delivered in a ring. He also says that Tut has the longest reach of any fighter in the business today.

According to gossip about Madison Square Garden yesterday there seems to be little doubt that Benny Leonard and Charley White will clash in this city for the lightweight championship of the world before the cold weather sets in. In other words, it seems certain that they will be brought together in some open air arena within the metropolitan district this fall.

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The Barrett-White match is attracting a good deal of attention here, and

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Miss Hilda James



Record Mermaid Entry in 3 1/2 Mile Ocean Swim Today

The first international swimming classic ever arranged—the Joseph P. Day Cup race for women—will be contested this afternoon over a three-and-a-half-mile ocean course from Manhattan to Brighton Beach. A record entry of fifty-two of the world's leading mermaids has been received for the event, which will be conducted by the New York Women's Swimming Association.

The race will be international, for Europe has sent its greatest girl swimmer in years, Miss Hilda James, of Liverpool, England, especially for the Day Cup competition. This seventeen-year-old champion holds every Continental and British swimming record for women, and also is the world's record holder for 300 and 400 yards.

Heading the list of American entrants is Miss Helen Wainwright, the sixteen-year-old Long Island lassie, who is recognized as the world's premier all-around woman swimmer. Miss Wainwright only last Saturday clipped 11 1/2 seconds from Ethel's Bleibrey's record for 220 yards.

The start of the race is scheduled for about 3:30 o'clock. The girls and their pilots will assemble at 1:45 p. m. A boat will take them to Riche's Point, in Rockaway Inlet, directly southeast of Point Breeze. They will swim in an almost straight line to a spar buoy off Point Breeze and finish at the Brighton Baths. It is figured the winner will cover the course in a little more than an hour.

Martin in Final Work-Out for Bout With Kid Sullivan

Pepper Martin had his final stiff workout yesterday at Freddy Welsh's training quarters at Summit, N. J., for his bout with Kid Sullivan, which will be one of the twelve-round contests on the all-star card that the Ebbets-McKeever Exhibition Company will present at Ebbets Field to-morrow night. The other star bout features Midget Smith vs. Frankie Coster, twelve rounds. The balance of the card includes Pancho Villa vs. Johnny Hepburn, six rounds; Jackie Norman vs. Weldon Wing, four rounds; and Murray Layton vs. August Pisano, four rounds. The shorter bouts were cut down to comply with the Boxing Commission's rule of not more than forty scheduled rounds in one boxing show.

Martin has worked hard and faithfully for Sullivan, who has long been a stumbling block to featherweights aspiring for a crack at Johnny Kilbane and his title. Ever Martin was tripped once by this same Sullivan, and had to take several counts to the mat and a draw decision, after one of the hardest twelve-round bouts of his career.

Martin has several important matches in the making and realizes the necessity of defeating Sullivan decisively.

U. S. Team of Girl Athletes Sails To-day for Paris Meet

First Contingent of Women to Represent This Country on Foreign Soil Will Leave on Aquitania to Compete in Track and Field Games August 20

America will send forth to-day on the Aquitania the first contingent of girl track athletes who have ever gone to represent the nation on foreign soil. They will compete in the international track and field games in Pershing Stadium, Paris, August 20, says The Associated Press.

Not only in athletics but in feminism does their sailing set a landmark. Before the war women were virtually strangers to the track and field, but in the stress of conflict, particularly in Europe, when womanhood stepped forward to fill the job left vacant by the departure of men to the battle front, they participated in games to fit them for their more strenuous duties in industry.

The result was that running, jumping and weight throwing became part of the feminine calendar, in addition to riding, swimming, tennis and golf. When international games were suggested to compare the athletic progress made by women of various nations, an invitation was sent to the United States.

Establish New Records Girls' colleges and boarding schools took up the challenge. Instead of standing on the side lines, cheering their brothers and sweethearts on the field, thousands of girls spent the spring training and preparing themselves, not always under expert tutelage, but sufficiently well to break half a dozen world records when they went to the nation.

The field was narrowed to inter-school and inter-class meets, then by numerous sectional elimination contests, and finally two national meets were held, one in the East, the other in the far West, from the winners of which thirteen girls were picked to go to Europe. The judges are positive that the thirteen are the best in the nation.

In the mean time much trouble was experienced in stimulating sufficient public enthusiasm to get the money to send the team abroad, with the result that nearly all of the girls are paying their own expenses—one had to borrow the funds with the promise of repayment when she leaves school—and some of the entertainment planned for them must be curtailed.

Definite assignment of the girl athletes has not yet been made by Dr. Harry Stewart, of New Haven, Conn., the coach and physician and individual who more than any other is responsible for this long step in feminism. Assignments will not be made until near the close of training in Paris.

Team Well Chaperoned
With the team, in addition to Dr. Stewart and Suzanne Becker, of Oakesboro School, Mamaroneck, N. Y., will be Mrs. Stewart and Joseph D'Angola, of Newark, a member of the American delegation of the international committee, who also will be accompanied by his wife. The mothers of two of the girls will go along as chaperones.

None of the athletes has passed the bob-haired age, though the tresses of all have been short, and the youngest, Nancy Vorhees, New York, of Ethel Walker School, is only fifteen, but quite a high jumper. They are

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